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FOR DEVELOPMENT (ITEM 46B) - UN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

FUND DRAFT RESOLUTION L.1346/REV 1

REF: A) USUN 3854; B) STATE 227266

1. SUBJECT DRAFT RESOLUTION APPROVED BY 2ND COMMITTEE P.M.
23 OCTOBER BY VOTE OF 89-0-18 (US) AFTER SEPARATE VOTES
HAD RETAINED OP PARAS TWO BY 83-1 (CAMEROON) -20 (US), AND OP
PARA THREE BY 82-0-21 (US).

2. VOTE ON RESOLUTION WAS UNEXPECTEDLY CALLED FOR BY
CANADIANS AT LAST MINUTE. CANADIANS ALSO CALLED FOR
SEPARATE VOTE ON OP PARA TWO WITH FINLAND CALLING FOR VOTE
ON OP PARA THREE. IN STATEMENTS AFTER THE VOTE A NUMBER OF
THE G-77 INCLUDING UPPER VOLTA AND EGYPT EXPRESSED THEIR
SURPRISE AND STRONG DISAPPOINTMENT FIRST THAT A VOTE HAD
BEEN CALLED FOR AND SECOND THAT MOST OF THE WEO'S AND ALL
OF THE SOVIET BLOC HAD SEEN FIT TO ABSTAIN. FYI, THE DUTCH,
YUGOSLAVS AND ARGENTINES ALL EXPRESSED PRIVATELY TO THE US
DEL THEIR ANGER AT THE "USELESS UNNECESSARY AND COUNTER-

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PRODUCTIVE CANADIAN PLOY."

3. COMMENT - US DEL SHARES THE DUTCH VIEW THAT CANADIAN CALL FOR A VOTE WAS DECIDELY UNHELPFUL IN THAT IT WILL TEND TO CAUSE THE PRINCIPAL SPONSORS OF THE MORE IMPORTANT AND ONEROUS UNITAR AND TCDC RESOLUTIONS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR RESISTANCE TO BOTH NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER MUTINGS AND SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT FORTH BY THE US AND BY OTHER WEO COUNTRIES. ARGENTINA (FLEMING) THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE TCDC RESOLUTION, HAS ALREADY LEAPED UPON WHAT THE DUTCH CALL "THE SILVER PLATTER HANDED HIM BY CANADA" AS A STRONG NEW ARGUMENT FOR POSSIBLY NOT ACCEPTING ANY SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS TO L.1348/REV 1 PREVIOUSLY PUT FORWARD BY VARIOUS WEO MEMBERS.

4. IN ADDITION TO UPPER VOLTA AND EGYPT, BRIEF EXPLANATIONS AFTER THE VOTE ALSO MADE BY UK, FRG, GDR, US, USSR, BELGIUM AND JAPAN RE WHY THEY ABSTAINED AND BY BRAZIL, MEXICO, FINLAND AND SWEDEN RE WHY THEY VOTED FOR THE RESOLUTION. US (KITCHEN) SAID THAT WHILE US COULD HAVE ACQUIESCED IN A CONSENSUS IF THERE HAD BEEN NO VOTES CALLED FOR, THAT IT ABSTAINED ON ALL THREE VOTES TAKEN BECAUSE US DELEGATION SHARED VIEW EXPRESSED BY THE UNDP ADMINISTRATOR AND OTHERS THAT UNCDR'S OWN FINANCIAL RESOURCES SHOULD BE USED TO PAY FOR ITS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES INSTEAD OF UNDP'S ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET AS CALLED FOR IN THE RESOLUTION. SAID US PLANNED TO FURTHER SET FORTH ITS VIEWS THIS MATTER AT NEXT UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING.

5. SPEAKING AFTER U.S. USSR SAID IT ALSO COULD HAVE GONE ALONG WITH A CONSENSUS IF ONE HAD DEVELOPED.

6. BRAZIL IN ITS EXPLANATION PUT EVERYONE ON NOTICE THAT IF PLANNED PUSH TO HAVE UNCDF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FUNDED FROM UNDP PROGRAM VICE ADMIN FUNDS STARTING WITH 1976. SAID THERE WAS GOOD UN PRECEDENT FOR THIS AS IT WAS HOW SECRETARIAT OF UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME WAS PRESENTLY FINANCED.

FYI: AT DINNER HOSTED BY GERMANS LAST EVENING, CANADIAN COUNSELLOR WILDER TOLD MIN-COUN THAT (A) THEIR DELEGATION NEVER CONSULTED BY G-77 ON RES (B) YUGOSLAV DEL CERVIC
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HAD SAID THAT SINCE USSR, NORDICS, UK, FRANCE AND USA NOT DISPOSED TO PRESS FOR VOTE, G-77 ASSUMED THAT CANADA WOULD ACQUIESCE. WILDER SAID THAT CANADIAN TACITS INTENDED MORE TO MAKE CLEAR THAT CANADA NOT SATELLITE OF GROUP OF 9 OR USA THAN TO REGISTER FEELINGS IN RE SUBSTANCE OF RES.
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